

MENPS News

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau, December 3, 2020

From The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

I'd like to pass on sincere thanks to the PTA for successfully navigating the unpredictable weather for a great PTA Picnic turnout this week! It was lovely to see so many children and families coming together as a community in a relaxed, informal setting - a perfect punctuation point as the end of the 2020 school year draws near!

We also have another major success to highlight, with our Athletics Team bringing home the trophy for 1st place in the 2020 Zones. This is a fantastic achievement, and a tribute to the skills and dedication of the whole team who worked and trained so hard for the event. As ever, I would also like to thank Karen Moore, our Sports Coordinator, Andrew Fisher and all the teachers who helped set the children up for success in this event.

Looking ahead to next week, you should receive a copy of your child's report via email, including information on your child's class placement for next year.

Sadly, we will be bidding farewell to Y1 teacher Amber Rowley next year as she relocates to be closer to family in Hamilton, and also Ben Hitchcock and Kendyl Grant, both of whom opened 2020 new entrant classes this year. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Amber, Ben and Kendyl well for the future, with our thanks for their contribution to our school!

In terms of new staff appointments, we're delighted to be welcoming back one of our former Team Leaders, Martina Stevenson, next year, who will be working in a job-share arrangement with another experienced colleague (and former MENPS Team Leader), Rachel Leulu. We are also looking forward to introducing Ciarán Martin (Y5) and Brianna Sivewright (Y6) to the teaching team.

On the subject of end of year reports, my advice when reading these is simply that it is important to remember that children develop at different speeds and different rates. They have unique strengths and areas they may need help with at different times. This is normal, healthy and to be expected at Primary school age. Learning isn't an exact science, and children don't develop in a linear, predictable way.

Whatever their actual achievement, we should always keep our focus on progress in particular, the effort they put into their learning, how engaged and motivated they are as a learner and - just as crucially for their success - their social and personal development along the way.

We all know that our children are much more than a single test score or a rating on a piece of paper can ever capture, but I hope the report and teacher comments offer a well-rounded update on your child's progress and achievement this year.

Finally, I'd like to wish all the best to our Year 6 students for their Leaver's Assembly, Disco and, of course, the big trip to Camp next week. All of these are special events that help us celebrate their time with us here at MENPS, and make sure that we give them a memorable send-off with our very best wishes for the future!

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alan Jackson
Principal

End of Term 4

A reminder that school finishes at the earlier time of 1pm on Tuesday, 15th December

NOTICES AND REMINDERS

- **No Assembly this week**
- **Thursday 3rd Dec:** Year 6 Graduation Disco (School Hall, 5.30pm-7:30pm)
- **Friday 4th Dec:** Second Hand Uniform School (School Hall Kitchen, 8:15am-9:15am)
- **Tuesday 8th Dec:** Year 1-2 Athletics Day at MENPS
- **Wednesday 9th Dec;** BOT Meeting (Staffroom 6pm)



YEAR 5 MARKET DAY

Next week on Wednesday 9 December is Year 5 Market Day. The Market Day is for students in Years 1-3 and is held during school time. Students are more than welcome to bring a small amount of money to purchase the crafty goods and services that have been produced by the Year 5s. All profits will be donated to the winning charity!

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

Check your bags, bookshelves and under your bed!

Please make sure **ALL** Library books are returned this week.

SUMMER BABYSITTING/NANNYING - SOPHIE EASTON

Student at VUW | Ex student at Diocesan School for Girls



My name Sophie, I'm a first-year student at Victoria University of Wellington and I'm back for the year and available for nannying/babysitting from now up until the end February. I absolutely adore kids and have had previous experience babysitting families from Diocesan and St. Kents. I also have a passion for cooking and so can prepare meals, school lunches etc. for your family should you need them. Along with this I am very capable in terms of general household cleaning/upkeep and can also keep up with family washing/ironing. I am very flexible in terms of availability so please don't hesitate to contact me if your family need my help!

Ph: 02102476680 Email: sophieeaston55@gmail.com

Need a...

Babysitter?

Year 10 student currently studying at Mount Albert Grammar School. I have had experience working with young children at a daycare centre in Mount Eden. Looking for jobs around Epsom, Mt Eden to Mount Albert. Children from ages around 5-10. Flexible with times and dates.

Hourly rate \$10.

Text or call, 0224799760

MENPS Community Calendar

Click to view, download or subscribe and keep up to date with what's happening at MENPS



MENPS PTA

Mount Eden Normal Primary School Parent Teacher Association
www.menpspta.co.nz

Family Picnic

It was wonderful to see so many friends and whānau join the end of year celebration. COVID-19 and even weather may have had challenged our PTA activities and fundraising throughout the year but we are delighted to have finished the year on a high note!

We farewell all the helpers and volunteers who are moving on, just as we say good bye to their children who set off onto the next stage of their student adventures. HUGE THANK YOU and ALL THE BEST!!

We welcome all new families and parents that joined the school during this challenging year.

To all those new volunteers, as well as the always-ready-to-help veteran parents and whānau, we thank you for supporting us where you could and offering your time and energy to assist with the Fair 2021 (yes, planning and organising is underway).

Just over a week of school left... and we look forward to hearing from the Principal and his final message next week.

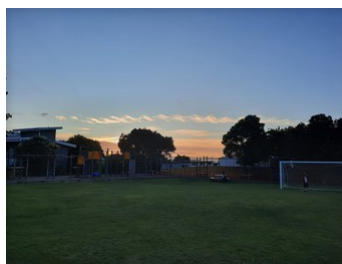
From us here at PTA this is our last note in 2020:

We wish you, the teachers, the school's leadership team, the Board of Trustees, support people in the office and on the field a festive and enjoyable break over the summer holidays.

See you next year!

PTA Team

Renáta, Marina, Jane, Linda and Mel



Second Hand Uniform Shop

Friday, 4th December
School Hall Kitchen,
8.15 - 9.15am, Cash only

Donations of clean and tidy items are greatly appreciated. Please drop off to the office.



Ice Blocks on Sale on the last day of Term 1pm Tuesday 15th December



FAIR 2021 VACANCIES

FAIR 2021 is on Sunday the 14th of March.

Please fill the form here <http://menpspta.co.nz/fair-stall-coordinators> if you would like to help.

We are still looking for help – without you we can't do it!

It's not as scary as it sounds – you will have a lot of support, you might make new friends and you will have fun!

We will help you to co-ordinate

We will assist with questions

We will be there to get you set up on the day

Our Fair is our pride (big community event) we love the 'family feel' on the day.

Email or call us NOW!

We'd love to hear from you!

menpspta@menpspta.co.nz



Sandpit Dig

Coordinator & Assistant



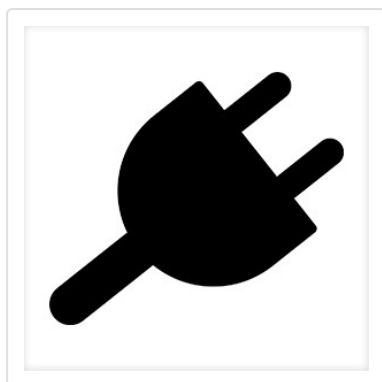
Bottle Stall

Coordinator



Face Painting

Coordinator



Power

We need a handy pair of hands to help set up power points for all our stalls.



Money Golf

Coordinator & Assistant



Gazebos & Tables Team

We have a coordinator. We need more people to set up & takedown



MENPS

PTA - Supporting Our School Through Fundraising & Fun Events



Chairperson Renáta Latimer
Deputy Chairperson Marina Borodatova
Secretary Melanie Woollard
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Class Coordinator Leader Jane Cunningham

Follow us on Facebook and keep up to date with the PTA on Mount Eden Normal Primary School PTA page.

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 menpspta.co.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES



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AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Holiday Programmes

DEC 14-23 | JAN 7-29

Make the most of your summer with a fun-filled learning experience!
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Holiday Programme

Safe Kids In Daily Supervision
Mt Eden
 Mt Eden Normal Primary School, Auckland

Full Day 07:30 a.m.-06:00 p.m. \$40.00
 Trip Day 07:30 a.m.-06:00 p.m. \$70.00
 Short Day 08:30 a.m.-03:00 p.m. \$45.00
 Half Day (AM) 08:00 a.m.-05:00 p.m. \$35.00
 Half Day (PM) 01:00 p.m.-06:00 p.m. \$35.00

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| Mon 14 Dec  School Day! Check out our Awesome Before School and After School Care Programmes! | Tue 15 Dec  Last day of School It's THE LAST DAY! Check out our Special Early Closure Programme! | Wed 16 Dec  Christmas Icons Apparently it snows for Christmas in the Northern Hemisphere, so we'll design our own nice snowman and a giant snowman together! | Thu 17 Dec  Frozen Become Snow with DIY Arctics, then DIY Snow and Playdough for our Big Summer Snow Day or craft with clay with our Jelly Trout! | Fri 18 Dec  Christmas Crafts Get your DIY hats on, we make gorgeous ethnic Christmas decorations and Gingerbread House Christmas Cards! |
| Mon 11 Jan  New Years Join our new year celebration with our own countdown and with colourful fireworks into the night sky! | Tue 12 Jan  Up, up and away! Fly high into the sky! We test anything that can rise through the air, make a new parachute and watch your stick person drop! | Wed 13 Jan  TRIP: Auckland Zoo Come join us at the ZOO We'll be meeting new friends and learning about their lifestyle! Please wear closed shoes. | Thu 14 Jan  Community Helpers Today we have a special guest come to talk to us about safety! After we compare our unique fingerprints and watch down time! | Fri 15 Jan  Flower Power We go back in time to the 1960s! We bring back fun bright colours with the 60s, growing Flower Stems and see the day today! |
| Mon 18 Jan  Construction Today, we become Builders and Engineer! Design a large bridge and be creative building the tallest building! | Tue 19 Jan  Ancient Egypt Read and write Hieroglyphics on your DIY Papyrus Paper and build your own Hieroglyphic Pyramid! | Wed 20 Jan  Hinge Turtles We turn into Hinge Turtles with Hinge Turtle Claws. Hide your other eye with make up and then do stress with Hinge Stress Ball! | Thu 21 Jan  Crazy Circus Day Hey Circus skills, it's your time to be girly and have fun! We'll learn circus games, get our Circus painted, and do circus craft! | Fri 22 Jan  TRIP: Laser Arena New Year! Come join us for laser tag! Challenge your friends and design Laser Please wear closed shoes. |
| Mon 25 Jan  Splash Day We dive into the water making Rainbow Fish, later we get outside and have fun getting wet! Bring a change of clothes and hats. | Tue 26 Jan  TRIP: Cinema 3 Prehistoric Family The Dinosaurs, challenged by a real family the Butterflies, who claim to be better and more modern! | Wed 27 Jan  Fear Factor We compare our fears and put it to the test! We explore our courage and test our sense of hearing, touching, feeling and smelling! | Thu 28 Jan  TRIP: sKids INFLATABLE We bounce, jump and bounce some more! Who can bounce the highest? Compete with your friends! | Fri 29 Jan  Paint and Create Sporting isn't just putting colours on paper, we get creative and experiment painting with salt, bubble and frosting paint! |

Please remember to bring your **MORNING TEA, LUNCH, DRINK BOTTLE**, and a **HAT** every day!
 Please see www.skids.co.nz/terms_conditions for our Holiday Programme Terms and Conditions.
 For more details, contact 0800 274 172 or 027 777 5437, manager@skids.co.nz

Register now at www.skids.co.nz click on



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Work & Income NZ OSCAR Subsidy available



Health & Sports
SWIM CLUB

Swimming Holiday Program

January Holidays
Week 1: 18th - 22nd
Week 2: 25th - 29th

5 consecutive days of 30 minute lessons for all ages and levels.

Fun in the pool this summer!

Email: sydney.s@healthandsports.co.nz or visit our website



Auckland United's Christmas Football Camp

December 21st-22nd
Waikaraka Park
9am-1pm
All Kids Welcome!!

www.aucklandunitedfc.org.nz/holidayprogramme



January School Holiday Programme

Monday 18 - Friday 29 January
Classes 8.00 - 11.00 am

One week \$75 per student
Two weeks \$150 per student

Fitness Squad 9.00 - 10.00 am
charged at \$10 per session

BOOK NOW!

Term 1, 2021 Bookings
Monday 2 February - Friday 16 April
From babies through to fitness squads

To book contact Michelle White,
Diocesan Aquatic Centre Manager,
09 550 9373, mwhite@diocesan.school.nz



Kohimarama Yacht Club Learn to Sail

Why KYC?

- Family orientated club so parents and sailors learn together
- Brand new self-bailing opti cube yachts. Spend more time sailing, less time bailing
- Our fantastic coaches are very experienced. Many learnt to sail at KYC. Coach to sailor ratio 15
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water confident.

When
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10 Sessions
Final session 18th April 2021

Cost
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Annie

Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years. Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

11 - 15 January 2021, 9 am – 4 pm daily
Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre, Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz or contact Hayley on either

SHOW Christmas Special

Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years. Students participate in a range of performing arts and specialised classes, for an eventful week!

14 - 18 December 2020, 9am – 4pm daily
Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre, Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz or contact Hayley on either

Wave Warriors

Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195/\$165 per person
14-18 Dec | 21-24 Dec | 4-8 Jan | 11-15 Jan | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach

Limited spaces | Please email to book
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